

Needles 'n Pins Yarn Shoppe

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Greetings to Everyone!

This has to be the most difficult newsletter that I have ever attempted to put together. I don't even know where to start. I don't think any of us imagined that 2020 was going to be such as it is. I remember back in December 2019 I was telling people that I was going to be so glad to celebrate the end of the year. 2019 was an extremely stressful year for my family with much of our time spent at hospitals, rehab facilities, therapy sessions and doctors' appointments. I just knew that 2020 had to be better.....little did I know!

Gordon did get a complete clean bill of health when we were out at Mayo Clinic in early March. Luckily we got that visit in just before the "lock down". I am extremely thankful that Gordon had all of his surgeries last year because I don't know if I could have managed dealing with both at the same time! Plus, he wouldn't have been able to have family there at all.....I feel very sad for people who have been hospitalized, or have family hospitalized, during these times.

In other family news---grandkids will be starting school soon. Of the 7 we now have 6 in school!! Addie (my cupcake girl!) will be entering 7th grade; Abbigail is going into 2nd; Nora into 1st; Mabel into Kindergarten; Jake and Maggie will both be in 4K. Huck is my only one not in school yet. Each of the school districts they will be attending is handling the entire situation differently so while some will have "in-person" classes, others will be totally virtual from home, and the remainder a combination of the two methods. I certainly don't envy the position the grandkids, as well as the kids, are in. School is going to be very different for the time being.

CURRENT SHOPPE HOURS

In order to accommodate everyone's "comfort level" of being out and about in public, we will be keeping our "Covid-19 Modified Shop Hours" for the foreseeable future. Face Masks are still required and we have hand sanitizer available. Please note that if you want to shop on Sunday or Monday, you will need to call and make an appointment BEFORE the shoppe closes on the Saturday before when you want to visit. If we have no appointments for one or both of those days, the shoppe will be closed. Thank you for your help and understanding through this difficult time.

Sunday.....1:00 – 5:00 p.m. (by appointment only)
Monday..... 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. (by appointment only)
Wednesday, Friday & Saturday..... 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. (NO appointment necessary)
Closed on Tuesday & Thursday

Food, Fun and Prizes!

From each Shop

A \$100 Gift Basket—Win a wonderful gift basket full of goodies! Each shop will hand pick items to include in the gift basket that will help you enjoy your quilting and knitting/crocheting!

GRAND Prize

\$350 Gift Basket—full of wonderful new items that will excite the winner whether he/she quilts, knits, or crochets!

and

\$350 in Gift Certificates ...that means \$50 From EACH of our seven shops!

Someone will win this! To be eligible for the Grand Prize. simply visit all seven shops and have your PASSPORT punched at each shop. Then, turn in your PASSPORT at the last shop you visit!

Good Luck!

TIP: Bring address labels that include Phone and Email for all the drawings!

Thank You for Supporting Our Local Shops! Hope YOU Can Attend!

Note: Face masks are required and each shop will provide hand sanitizer.

Atkinso Jane's



We Welcome YOU to come and enjoy the

Shop Sisters HOP

Tuesday through Saturday Oct. 6th -10th

All shops open 10 am to 5 pm each day



/ NEW Inventory! **NEW Displays!**

Oh, it's the perfect time to visit all these SHOPS!

There's A Free Pattern for you at each shop of a Happy Project!





Rachel Hoch Quilt Barn Studio 5139 S Reid Road Janesville, WI (608) 960-7797 www.QUILTBARNSTUDIO.com

Hours:

Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri. 10 - 4 10 - 1:30



Jane Strunk The Quilt Patch Lower Hebron Road & Junction HWY D (located 4 mi. east of Whitewater) Fort Atkinson, WI (262) 593-8462 www.thequiltpatchstore.com Hours: Tues, Thurs 11-5

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Hours: Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat 9-5

Sun.

Debbie Raye Brick Street Yarn 312 E Walworth Ave. Delavan, WI (262) 725-7779 www.brickstreetyarn.com Hours: Mon, Tues 10-5 Thurs 10-8 Fri, Sat 10-5

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Teresa Popanz Twin Turtle Quilts 244 Allen Street Clinton ,WI 53525 (608) 676-6196 www.twinturtlequilts.com

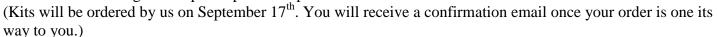
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New Shawl Pattern from Ambah O'Brien

As most of you know, Ambah O'Brien is one of my favorite designers. Her patterns are extremely well written and easy to follow. She does mainly shawls/wraps and they are all beautiful. And, most of you also know that Koigu is one of my absolute favorite yarns!! Using Koigu yarn to knit one of Ambah's shawls----I'm truly in my comfort zone. I was so excited when I was asked to test knit Ambah's newest design.....Kentia Wrap...which will be available on Ravelry the end of September...especially since it is done using Koigu yarns. It just doesn't get much better than that! I absolutely love working on it and cannot wait to share the finished product it with you.

Which brings me to this.....below are five options that Taiu at Koigu has put together especially for this shawl. While you could use any pencil box, these four were put together with 5 lighter/5 darker colors which really accentuate the design of the pattern. You also need 5 regular skeins of KPM and Taiu has even selected that for you. We are offering these kits to be pre-ordered so that when the pattern comes out, you will be set to go!!! The complete set, consisting of the mini skeins and 5 full sized skeins retails for \$140.00. PLUS----if you order by September 16th---we are offering it at a special pre-order price of \$125.00!!



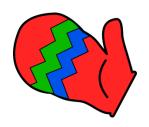












ANNUAL HAT AND MITTEN DRIVE



The Farmer's Almanac is predicting that this winter will be a cold and snowy one....and they are generally extremely accurate in their predictions. We once again will be doing our small part in trying to keep everyone's hands and heads covered and warm!! Get that warm and fuzzy feeling of being able to help someone keep warm this winter.

Now through November 30th we will be collecting hats and mittens for toddlers (size 2 and over, please) as well as adult sizes. They can be any color and/or pattern. The only stipulation is that they MUST be made from a washable yarn. For every pair of mittens or hat you bring in, you will be able to enter your name into our drawing for a \$50 gift certificate!!! The more you donate---the more chances you have to win.

All items will be donated to The Community Space in Whitewater, WI for distribution.

CLASS STATUS--- Unfortunately, at the present time, we are still not able to hold classes or open knitting/crocheting. We want to insure the safety of all of our customers, and we just do not feel comfortable with the closeness that is necessary to hold classes and open social time. We really miss having the groups together. Hopefully with everyone following the health and social guidelines, we will be able to get back to our "normal" schedule in the near future.

In the meantime, please do not hesitate to give us a call if you need to schedule some "one on one" time to work through any difficulties you may be having with your project. We are always here for you and will try to accommodate your needs in any way we can.

CHECK OUT OUR CLEARANCE SECTION!!

As we continue to condense, re-arrange, and clean out to make room for new yarns that are beginning to arrive,

many of the discontinued yarns have been even further reduced in price. You will find some fantastic deals on yarn as well as needles in our closeout section!!

Now is a great time to stock up for your cold-weather knitting.

We also have a great supply of quick project ideas that would make awesome gifts! Let us help you get a head start on your holiday gift making!!

2020 Advent KAL with AmBah O'Brien

I know some of you are probably thinking....."another Ambah/Koigu KAL".....but, they both looked like so much fun, I couldn't choose just one. Besides, who couldn't use a little color in their lives in December and January? Although this is set to begin on December 1, 2020, you actually have until February 15, 2021 to finish and post a picture of your final project. And, hopefully by that time, we will be able to have some group gatherings in the shoppe to work on it together. And....that would really be something to look forward to!!! PLUS----If you order by September 16th---we are offering it at a special pre-order price of \$157.00!!

Here's how it works:

- 1) Pre-order your yarn pack from us by September 16. (We are using the same dates as the other wrap in order to keep things simple.) We will then place our order with Koigu for the total number of each colorway we need. Koigu will ship our order sometime in October and we will ship yours to you. Cost of the 25-day pencil pack is \$175 (pre order price until September 16th is \$157!). You can order by calling us, stopping in or off the website!!
- 2) Go onto Ravelry and enter "Ambah O'Brien" in the designer search bar. The following patterns are the ones that are eligible for the KAL and its "goodies": Adventuresome Wrap-----Adventuring Cowl-----Adventuring Scarf & Wrap----- Adventurous Wrap----- Adventurer Cowl------Adventurer Scarf & Wrap------ Radvent Pillow------Radvent Sweater----- Radvent Wrap.
- 3) Purchase/download the pattern of your choice. If you choose one of the designs that require extra solids, we can help you in selecting the best color choice.
- 4) Details about prizes and more will be on Ravelry and we will forward on information to everyone participating when we ship out your yarn.





Say Hello to Grandma Lou's "Private Label DK"! A super soft superwash merino wool containing 275 yards and retails for \$26.00/skein. This is a one of a kind yarn and has been dyed in the USA exclusively for Needles 'n Pins! Stock is limited!

Berroco Yarn "Aerial" is a lace weight superkid mohair/silk blend containing 284 yards and retails for \$12.00/ball!





Araucania Yarns "Sayi" from Euro Yarns is a worsted weight wool/acrylic blend containing 218 yards and retails for \$15.00/skein! 'Mulberry Chullo' Hat is pictured in color #1011 and takes just one skein! Pattern is available for purchase/download via Ravelry.





"Furreal Pom Poms" from Knitting Fever!!

These pom poms attach with a snap! Can be easily removed for washing/care of your garment! \$10.00 each....15 colors available!

Noro Magazine Issue #17 is now available in store or on our website!

New Colors of the following yarns are now available:

Berroco 'Sesame' Koigu 'Pencil Boxes' Noro 'Ito'

Queensland 'Cairns' Juniper Moon Farm 'Moonshine'

Urth Yarns 'Harvest Fingering'

Urth Yarns 'Uneek Fingering'

Urth Yarns 'Uneek Fingering Sock Kits'

Ontheround Yarns are now available for purchase on our website! We carry 'Everyday Worsted', 'Everyday DK', 'Everyday Lite', 'Signature Sock', and Mini Skein Sets. We

have ordered a new yarn line, along with some mini skein sets that should be here in the next few weeks!



The "Eyes on 'U' Shawl" knit by Doreen Marquart using 2 skeins of Urth Yarns "Uneek Fingering" in color #3024 & 1 skein of Urth Yarns "Harvest Fingering" in color 'Orange'. Pattern is available for purchase/download via Ravelry.

"Royally Striped" Cardigan designed by Stephen West and knit by Doreen Marquart using Grandma Lou's "Private Label DK" (Exclusive Yarn only available at Needles 'n Pins Yarn Shoppe!). Colors used were #11, 12, 22, 40, and 41. Pictured in an XXL. Doreen chose to use 5 colors instead of 4. Pattern is available for purchase/download via Ravelry.





"Bellarose Shawl" designed by Ambah O'Brien and knit by Doreen Marquart using 2 skeins of Noro Yarns "Sonata" from Knitting Fever and Euro Yarns in color #21.

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